

FILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

EV335541716US

Express Mail Label Number

July 16, 2003

Date of Deposit

8

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1644

DIGAN ET AL.

Examiner: Ewoldt, G.

APPLICATION NO: 09/480,236 FILED: JANUARY 10, 2000

FOR: ANTI-CD3 IMMUNOTOXINS AND THERAPEUTIC USES

THEREFOR

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

APPEAL BRIEF PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The period for filing a Brief on Appeal has a shortened statutory time set to expire on May 21, 2003. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$410 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

Novartis

Corporate Intellectual Property One Health Plaza, Building 430 East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080

Date: July 16, 2003

Thomas R. Savitsky Attorney for Applicants

Reg. No. 31,661

Phone No. (862) 778-7909

07/18/2003 HDEMESS1 00000084 190134 09480236

02 FC:1252

410.00 DA